

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Banerjee et al.**

Serial No.: **09/965,152**

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For: **Service Discovery in a Network of
Automatic Product/Service Dispensing
Machines**

§ Group Art Unit: **3622**

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§ Examiner: **Daniel Lastra**

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

A fee of \$790.00 is required for filing a Request for Continued Examination. No other fees are believed to be required. If, however, any fees are required, I authorize the Commissioner to charge these fees which may be required to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is required, the extension is requested, and I authorize the Commissioner to charge any fees for this extension to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

Preliminary to the continued examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.